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## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The disclosed system and method provides an invoice to a customer for the use of a device by the customer. Information representative of an amount of usage of the device by the customer is recorded and maintained. A process associated with a billing party is coupled to the device through a data communication network. An invoice is provided to a billing destination at a premises of the customer on a human-readable medium having an invoice amount based upon the amount of usage of the device by the customer and pre-established billing contract rules.